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CRITERIA FOR GRANTS TO NGOs
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria (or providing grants under `Grants-in-Aid to Non-GovernmentalOrganizations working for Scheduled Castes` scheme conducted by the Ministry; and

(b) the NGO-wise, scheme-wise and year-wise details of amountprovided under the scheme State-wise and particularly in Rajasthan during last five years, i.e. from 1.4.1999 to till date?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SANJAY PASWAN):

(a) Under the Scheme of Grant-in-aid to voluntary organizations working for Scheduled Castes,financial assistance to the extent of 90% of the approved expenditure, is provided to voluntary organizations with the main objective to involve the voluntary sector to improve educational and socio-economic conditions of Scheduled Castes with a view to upgrade skillto enable them to start income generating activities on their own or get gainfully employed in some sector or the other. In order to be eligible for assistance under Scheme, an Organization should have the following characteristics:â€”

(i) Registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 (XXI of 1860) or any relevant Act of the State/Union Territory; or

(ii) A public trust registered under the law for the time being in force; or

(iii) A charitable company licensed under Section 25 of the Companies Act 1958; or

(iv) Indian Red Cross Society or its branches; and

(v) Any other public body or institution having a legal status of its own;

(vi) The voluntary organization should have been registered for, at least two years at the time of applying for grant under the scheme;

(vii) Number of Scheduled Castes beneficiaries is not less than 60%;

(viii) Not being run for profit to any individual or body individuals.

Further, under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Coaching and Allied, assistance forweaker section including Scheduled Castes, Other Backward Classes and Minorities issanctioned to the institutes of repute both public and private running coaching courses with achieved distinction during the preceding three years in terms of success rate of candidates, provided the institute either a Trust, partnership firm, or Society registered under relevant law and that the institute has experience of imparting coaching in the courses for which assistance under the Scheme is sought.

(b) The details of grant-in-aid sanctioned to NGOs, organization wise, since 1.4.1999,year-wise, under the Scheme of Grant-in-aid to voluntary organizations working for Scheduled Castes, are given in the statement-I. Likewise, the details of grant-in-aidsanctioned to NGOs, organization wise, since 1.4.1999, year-wise, under the CentrallySponsored Scheme of Coaching and Allied, assistance for weaker sections including Scheduled Castes, Other Backward Classes and Minorities, are given in the statement-II.